Neutrino Beam Requirements*

- The maximal possible neutrino fluxes to encompass at least the 1st and 2nd oscillation nodes, which occur at 2.4 and 0.8 GeV respectively
- Since neutrino cross-sections scale with energy, larger fluxes at lower energies are desirable to achieve the physics sensitivities using effects at the 2nd oscillation node
- To detect $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ at the far detector, it is critical to minimize the neutral-current contamination at lower energy, therefore minimizing the flux of neutrinos with energies greater than 5 GeV where there is little sensitivity to the oscillation parameters is highly desirable
- The irreducible background to $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ appearance signal comes from beam generated ν_e events, therefore, a high purity ν_μ beam with as low as possible ν_e contamination is required

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